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Re App : Geng Zhang, et al. : November 1, 2002
Serial No. : 09/753,738 : Examiner Kennedy Schaetzle
Filed : January 2, 2001 : Art Unit 3762
For : AUTOCAPTURE PACING/SENSING CONFIGURATION

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.111

Commissioner of Patent and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to an Official Action mailed September 3, 2002, which carries a one-month shortened statutory period for response. A petition and fee for a one-month extension of time accompanies this response that the shortened statutory period is extended until November 3, 2002.

The action in the form of a restriction requirement requiring the applicants to select a single disclosed species from among some 22 species enumerated by the Examiner. The Examiner has further stated that currently no claim is generic.

Accordingly, applicants offer the following claim as a generic claim 42 as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

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42(New). A cardiac electrical stimulation system having an autocapture stimulation/sensing configuration for use with atrial and ventricular leads, said cardiac electrical stimulation system including:

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an atrial lead having atrial electrodes electrically coupled thereto;
a ventricular lead having ventricular electrodes electrically coupled thereto;

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